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The Honorable George Bush Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

As one who voted against your confirmation for the position of Director of Central Intelligence, I thought it appropriate that prior to your leaving office I express to you my congratulations for a job well done. You are well aware, I am sure, of the misgivings expressed over your appointment by the Senate at the time of your confirmation; misgivings which I am also sure you will agree were neither whimsical nor frivolent, but sincere. The courage you demonstrated in accepting the challenge and attempting to raise the Agency from the level of confusion and uncertainty, where it was when you assumed the duties of DCI, to the level of legitimate intellectual debate over and concern for its continued and effective operation is to be admired. While I feel that the Senate, particularly the Intelligence Committee, has played a major role in elevating the level of discussion surrounding the CIA, your role was certainly significant.

Again, let me congratulate you and wish you the best of luck in the future.

very truly,

Robert Morgan

United States Senator

Congress

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